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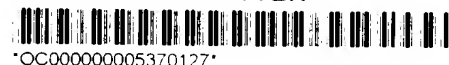
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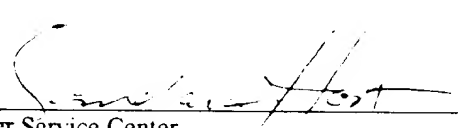
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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated September 1, 2000, be extended for three months to and including February 1, 2001.

Enclosed is a check for \$890 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 31, 2001

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COMMUNICATION

On January 31, 2001, Applicants submitted to the PTO a Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts in this application. Applicants inadvertently did not include the page from the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney with the signature of inventor Qi Li. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith the page from the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney with the signature of Qi Li. Applicants also submit herewith a copy of the Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts and the associated Petition for a Three Month extension of time to and including February 1, 2001, which Applicants submitted on January 31, 2001. These documents indicate that the only information missing therefrom was the page of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney with the signature of Qi Li.

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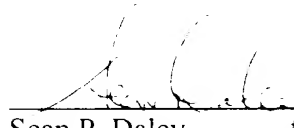
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Applicants believe that the claims are in condition for examination, which action is requested. Because this Communication is being filed within the time period covered by the Petition for Three Month Extension of time Filed on January 31, 2001, Applicants believe that no fee is associated with this Communication. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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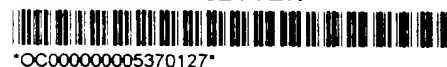
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